


REMARKS

Claims 14-235 are pending and are subject to a requirement for election of species. This requirement is respectfully traversed in part. Applicants submit that a search and examination of all compounds encompassed by independent claim 66 would not present an undue burden to the examiner. However, to be fully responsive, applicants elect the species comprising compound 108 (Table 6). In terms of the variables presented in claim 66, compound 108 is a compound of claim 66 wherein R^a is H, r is 1, R^2 is phenoxy, R^4 is phenoxy, R^3 is H, R^5 is H, and Z is OH.

Applicants make the foregoing election with the understanding that claims readable on the non-elected species will be withdrawn from consideration until such time as it is determined that generic claims are allowable, and reserving the right to prosecute claims covering the non-elected species in one or more continuing applications.

Applicants believe that the foregoing constitutes a complete response to the Office Action of record. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for examination on the merits. Early and favorable consideration, leading to allowance of this application, is requested.

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